

# The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Batchelder Biblical Archaeology Conference

University of Nebraska at Omaha - W.H. Thompson Alumni Center

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**Thursday, Nov. 13, 7:00 PM**

**Opening Remarks: Thomas Gouttierre, and James B. Milliken, University of Nebraska President**

**Keynote Presentation**

**Simcha Jacobovici** – Film maker and director of the James Cameron productions, *"The Lost Tomb of Jesus,"* and *"The Exodus Decoded."* His presentation this evening is titled, *"The Making of the Naked Archaeologist and the Popular Media."*

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**Friday, Nov. 14 9:00 AM**

**Chairperson: Dr. Rami Arav**

**Phil Reeder**, University of South Florida

*"Mapping Great Cities and Spaces: From Ancient Israel and Beyond"*

10:00 AM

**Richard Freund**, University of Hartford

*"First Century Burials and Herod's Tomb"*

11:00 AM

**Leonard Greenspoon**, University of Creighton

*"Two Accidental Archaeologists: Max L. Margolis and Harry M. Orlinsky."*

**12:00 PM – Lunch**

2:00 PM

**Chairperson: Dr. John T. Greene**

**Dan Bahat**, University of Toronto (Topic TBA)

3:00 PM

**Carl Savage**, Drew University

*"Southern Lights: The Herodian Oil Lamps of Bethsaida and Their Possible Significance"*

4:00 PM

**Christina Etzrodt**, University of Nebraska, Omaha

*AutoCad Mapping of Bethsaida*

**5:00 PM - Dinner Break**

## **7:30 PM**    **Keynote Presentation**

**Chairperson: Dr. James Tabor**

Dr. Dan Bahat , *"The Coffin of Herod the Great Discovered."*

Presented to the public for the first time, and will be featured on the National Geographic Channel in December, 2008.

**This Concludes the Evening Program**

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## **Saturday, Nov. 15 9:00 AM**

**Chairperson: Dr. Stan Udd**

**Mark Appold**, Truman State University

*"Why Did They Leave?"*

10:00 AM

**James Tabor**, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

*"The New Mount Zion Excavation in Jerusalem: Past, Present, and Future"*

11:00 AM

**Maha Darawsha**, University of Hartford

*"Yavne: From Herodian City to Mamluk Outpost"*

12:00 – **Lunch**

2:00 PM

Chairperson: Dr. Boyd Seevers

**Nicolae Roddy**, Creighton University

*"The Forgotten East Bank: Israelite and Non-Israelite Settlements in Iron Age Jordan"*

3:00 PM

**Elizabeth McNamer**, Rocky Mountain College, Montana

*"Philip and the Imperial Cult"*

4:00 PM

**Rami Arav**, University of Nebraska at Omaha

*"The Mystery of the Round Structure at Rogem Hiri"*

5:00 PM

**Conclude Conference Program**

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***We'll See You Again Next Year!***